



# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

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TO: EACH SUPERVISOR

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### STATUS OF RESERVE FIREHAWK ENGINE PURCHASE

On June 2, 2009, your Board approved the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County's (District) request to purchase a reserve T700-701 helicopter engine from General Electric Aviation (GEA) for the District's three Sikorsky Firehawk helicopters, in an amount not to exceed \$1.2 million.

After several months of aggressive and good faith negotiations surrounding the mandated terms and conditions, the County's Purchasing Agent and GEA were unable to reach an agreement.

The purchase of this reserve engine is vital to the performance of the District's air operations. Therefore, the District, through the County's Purchasing Agent, will continue with the Board approved purchase of the reserve engine. The County's Purchasing Agent has moved forward with a competitive bid process and has identified vendors which can provide the GEA T700-701 helicopter engine. These vendors are able meet the mandated terms and conditions and can provide the reserve engine in an amount not to exceed \$1.2 million.

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